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EDITORIAL

A COMPLAINT.

The Citizen does not believe in knocking or telling ones troubles to the world, but it does believe that a little plain speaking and a little square hitting in a just cause, is about as fine a thing as can happen to a community or a town. This statement is made of course, with the provision that the hard hitting be made not for spite or to injure, but with the object of betterment in view. With this explanation, the Citizen is now going to air its grievance and hit as hard as it can regardless of what the people may think.

We are now a little city in but the infant age of its growth. Cimarron is a little place and it needs care and help to make it what we all down in our hearts want it to be. But how in the world can it grow without the help and co-operation of every man, woman and child in its limits. It is a fine healthy infant, is Cimarron but it is too young to "just grow" without being helped. There is no doubt but that it will ultimately be something fine, if every one does just as he is now doing towards aiding and developing its resources, but that is not what we want. WE WANT RESULTS and we want them right away. Of what avail is it to us to sit idly back and wait for things to happen. Nothing will happen, and you can count on that being one of the truest things in this world of truth. Absolutely nothing will happen. Cimarron will remain here for a thousand years and will be about the same thing that it is now, except the grave yard will probably have extended its limits some. You can't leave all the work and development to one or two men, and then expect to profit a thousand fold by their efforts. They need your help. One live wise awake man in a community is of more value to that community than fifteen fellows who are satisfied to let things slide and drift along, with the expectation that some wind may blow them a fortune. This development and piling up fortunes means work, good hard work, and if the community is to be developed, it also means co-operation and public spirited enterprise in addition to work.

Last winter a Cimarron Building & Loan association was talked of, and about five hundred shares of the stock were subscribed for. Every one seemed to take a great deal of interest in the Building & Loan, and several meetings were held. The writer was instructed to go ahead and incorporate the Association under the laws of New Mexico, and over \$225.00 were raised among the subscribers to meet the expenses that are incident to incorporation. Articles of Incorporation were drawn up and the legal work was done in detail, but by the laws of the Territory of New Mexico, no Building & Loan Association is authorized to do business until it shall have first held its initial meeting, adopted by-laws and filed them in accord with the law. Several meetings have been called with this adopting by-laws in view, but the stockholders have suddenly lost all interest in the affair. At one meeting three men attended, at another two made their appearance, and last Friday night, the date of the last call to the subscribers to the stock, enormous sum of four men showed up at the place designated. Such inattention and indifference as this is what the Citizen is hitting at. The Building & Loan Association is something that is semi-public in its very nature, and its chief aim and object is to aid and promote the growth and development of Cimarron. A successful Association is a most powerful and potent factor in the growth of any town, and the Cimarron Association has more subscribers to the stock than the Raton Association had at its birth, and the Raton Association is now doing over \$300,000.00 worth of business each year. It has made it possible for the man of small means to go into Raton, purchase lots, and build himself a home thereon, at a profit to himself and to the stockholders of the Association. Why every one in Cimarron should take an interest in getting the Cimarron Association on its feet and started in its business workings,

There are lots of men here in Cimarron that would gladly build a house if they had the means at their disposal to do so, and as these men build, new men employed, more work to be done to supply this additional number of men with buildings and supplies. And so the development would continue to go on around and around in a circle.

But it seems that the people of Cimarron don't give a blooming rap whether school keeps or not. It has been proven that the stockholders of a successful Building & Loan Association have invested their savings in a life saving business, that alone should be enough to make them take enough interest to attend the first meeting of the stockholders, but it seems that it is not.

Were this matter of organizing a Building & Loan purely a private matter, the Citizen would not have a word to say, but it is not. Its success is a matter that is near and dear to the heart of the general public. Every one is invited to subscribe for the stock and avail themselves of the privileges of the Association, and by so doing, aid in the betterment of Cimarron. For these reasons, the Citizen does not feel that it is taking up a matter that concerns only private individuals, but it rather feels that it is trying to correct a sort of "poco tiempo" or "manana" feeling that seems to be getting a start here in Cimarron, and that since the success of the Building & Loan means much to the general public, its organization should be pushed through the public press if no other way is effective.

CORRECTION.

In last week's issue of the Citizen appeared an editorial headed "Supervisor is Needed," which called attention to the fact that the roads in the district west of town were in a very bad condition. In this article it was stated that this district was formerly in charge of Mr. Geo. H. Webster Jr., as Supervisor. Mr. Webster states that he never had anything to do with this district, but that he did undertake to gratuitously repair and supervise the ten miles of road running from Cimarron due south to the precinct line. This road is now in excellent repair. While the article referred to did not mean to imply that the bad condition of the roads west of town was due to the lack of attention of Mr. Webster, rather using his name to designate the district in question, still the Citizen is glad to make any and all corrections, and if its information is at any times incorrect, it will gladly retract its statements. In this case Mr. Webster never had any charge of roads in the district west of town, the information was incorrect, and the Citizen makes its apology to Mr. Webster.

POVERTY SAVED HIM

Escaped Clutches of La Porte Murderess by Being "Broke"

St. Joseph, Mo., May 11.—"Because I had no money, I now believe is the only thing that saved me from being murdered by Mrs. Guinness near La Porte, Ind.," said George Anderson of Tarkio, Mo. He is going to Chicago, where he will offer his personal testimony and letters written him by Mrs. Guinness to the authorities.

"I think the woman is still alive and that she set fire to the farm house herself. I believe that the eldest girl knew of her mother's crimes. I recollect that she acted very strangely. She would eye me with a pitiful look, and when I glanced at her during a meal she was as white as a sheet.

Anderson is a Swede, 39 years old.

Two years ago while at Monteith, Mich., he answered one of Mrs. Guinness' advertisements, posing himself as a wealthy farmer. She wrote him to come on, and he did so. The second day she asked him point blank how much money he had. He claimed only a few hundred dollars cash, but had a 300-acre farm. She told him to sell the farm and bring the money to her and they would be married.

Anderson went away for a few days and returned one night without notifying Mrs. Guinness. He found a man he now believes was Ray Lamphere in her company. He confessed to her that he had no money. She was incensed, but told him to spend the night at her place. He went to bed, but was awakened and found the woman bending over him. He spoke and she ran out of the room. Greatly frightened, he did not close his eyes after that and at daylight left the place.

"I will try to identify Ray Lamphere as the man I came upon at Mrs. Guinness' home," said Anderson. "Somehow, I connect that man's presence with her visit to my room."

Anderson has been employed on David Rankin's ranches at Tarkio, Mo.

La Porte, Ind., May 11.—Lemuel Darrow, mayor of La Porte, after a conference with prominent citizens, declared that the investigations into the Guinness murder mystery would be pushed with great vigor.

"Up to the present time," said the mayor, "there has only been a lukewarm inquiry into the amazing case. By this time all the lakes in the vicinity of the Guinness farm should have been dragged. The pond back of the graveyard has not been investigated. It will be. Clear lake and Fish Trap lake, both west of the farm, will be dragged.

"I suspect that more tragedies will be discovered. We intend to push this inquiry the way it should be pushed. There should be a more centralized effort to solve this mystery."

It is also the intention of the mayor to investigate the Pine Lake cemetery, two miles north of the Guinness farm, with a view to satisfying themselves that no bodies have been removed. They want to satisfy themselves that no corpse was substituted by Mrs. Guinness for the body found in the fire, which, in the general public mind, is accepted as the body of the murderess.

BOMB MURDERERS BLOW UP HOUSE

Chicago, May 11.—What appears to be an attempt to assassinate Vincenzo Vivirito and Cletto Mosatto and their families at 31 Gault court was made when a dynamite bomb was exploded under the stairway leading to the apartments of both families.

The attempt to kill the families, the police assert, was made to prevent them from appearing as witnesses against Antonia Marici and his son, Vito, who are to be tried in the criminal court on a charge of conspiracy to commit murder.

Joseph Conville, who was shot and killed Feb. 2 by Batiste Scardini, had lived at the house which friends of the latter and Marici, so the police suppose, attempted to blow up.

OKLAHOMA TOWNS ARE STORM SWEEPED

Woodward, Okla., May 11.—A succession of tornadoes swept over a district lying twenty-five miles southwest, south and southeast of Woodward late yesterday and last night. Several small isolated towns, all off the railroad and without telegraph communication, are reported destroyed, many persons having been injured and several are reported killed.

Seven towns are reported to have suffered damage more or less severe. They are Grand, Arnett, Vici, Mutual, Estelle, Cooley and Richmond. At each place casualties are said to have resulted. The known casualties are:

At Arnett: — Hale, killed. Half a dozen persons injured, one fatally.

At Vici: Hauser, physician, fatally injured.

At Manual: Arthur Sible, his wife and several others seriously injured. Grand, the county seat of Ellis county, is said to have been wholly wrecked.

The towns of Estelle, Cooley and Richmond also are reported to have been devastated.

All these towns are twenty-five miles from a railroad. Wires are down and it is difficult to obtain details.

D. J. Herron, of East Las Vegas, spent last Thursday in Cimarron.

Louie Hatt, of Salt Lake City, was in Cimarron last Thursday on business.

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